



We declare our covenant with God to walk upon Earth for the greatest good of all creation.

A Harvest Prayer

The garden is rich with diversity...
Basil, mint and lavender,
God keep my remembrance pure.
Raspberry, apple, rose,
God fill my heart with love.
Dill, anise, tansy,
Holy winds blow in me.
Rhododendron, zinnia,
May my prayer be beautiful.
May my remembrance O God
Be as incense to thee
In the sacred grove of eternity
As I smell and remember
The ancient forests of earth.

--Chinook Psalter

Fruits of the Work – A “Greener Unity” Promoted at 2008 Convention

The Wigwam Resort outside Phoenix, Arizona was the perfect setting to promote a “greener Unity.” Instead of being in one high-rise complex, guest rooms and meeting rooms were in separate buildings, giving everyone plenty of opportunities to enjoy the Arizona sunshine.

Over 20 people attended the “Greening Unity Forum.” Presentations included starting a green team at San Antonio, Texas, installing a new green roof in Fairfax, Virginia, and pioneering a ministry with a green focus. And the brand-new *EarthCare Congregation Program* for Unity ministries was unveiled.

Other “green” activities included giving a bag, notebook, and water bottle made of recycled materials to each attendee, making a recycling bin available, and sponsoring an information table.

Developed by the national EarthCare Team, the *EarthCare Congregation Program* is based on the Northwest Region’s “Path to Earth Care.” The EarthCare Team is asking for ministries to review and field-test the program and give feedback. Contact them at earthcare@unity.org if you’re interested. The program leaflet will also be posted

on the Northwest Earth Care webpage (see our contact information below).

More Fruits – “Spiritual Gardening” at Unity Center of North Idaho

“They’re the church with the garden,” say neighbors of the Unity center in Coeur d’Alene, Idaho. Maintained by their Green Team, the community garden has graced the front lawn of the church since 2004.

Each spring, families adopt individual plots to plant in a kaleidoscope of flowers and vegetables. The first year the garden became a “pumpkin patch,” and in October the children proudly presented their pumpkins at the Sunday service, just in time for Halloween!

For William Kettle, chair of the Green Team, gardening is about fellowship, meditation, and being in the One Presence. He says, “It’s not so much about growing food. It’s about experiencing the Spirit within us and being fed by the Beauty around us. We bring our willingness and beingness to the garden, and its abundance becomes a demonstration of our joy.”



Community Garden at Coeur d’Alene Unity

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